

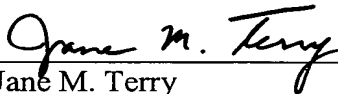
REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-6 are pending in the present application. Claims 2-4 have been currently amended, and new Claims 5 and 6 have been added. The amendments were made relative to original Claims 1-4, based on PCT Application No. PCT/EP03/00490, as originally filed. Support for the amended and new claims can be found throughout the specification and in the original claims. Particular support for amended Claims 2 and 3 can be found in original Claims 2 and 3, respectively. Particular support for amended Claim 4 and new Claims 5 and 6 can be found in original Claim 4. No new matter is believed to have been introduced by the amended and new claims.

Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is now in condition for examination on the merits, and request early notice of such action.

Respectfully submitted,

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